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Term of the board of the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production patterns

Note by the Secretary-General

Summary

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 67/203 of 21 December 2012, on the implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, the present note contains a proposal on the duration of the subsequent terms of the board of the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production patterns.

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I. Background

1. The 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production patterns was adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 66/288 of 27 July 2012, on the outcome document of the 2012 United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, entitled "The future we want" (resolution 66/288, annex). In accordance with resolution 67/203 of 21 December 2012, on the implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, the Assembly designated the United Nations Environment Programme to serve as the secretariat of the framework.

2. In follow-up to paragraph 226 of the outcome document "The future we want" and by its resolution 67/203, the General Assembly decided to establish a 10-member board consisting of two members from each United Nations regional group. Furthermore, the Assembly decided to nominate, no later than 31 January 2013, the members of the board for an initial two-year term, and requested the secretariat of the 10-year framework to elaborate a proposal on the duration of the subsequent terms, to be considered by General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session.

3. Subsequently, the General Assembly adopted decision 67/564 of 16 September 2013, in which it took note of the establishment of the board of the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production patterns and decided that the members of the board shall serve for an initial term of two years effective from the date of 16 September 2013. Additionally, the Assembly decided that regional groups shall be authorized to nominate new members of the board after the completion of the board's initial two-year term, or in the event of the resignation of a member of the board, and for subsequent terms, upon notification of the President of the General Assembly and the board by the relevant regional group.

II. Term proposal for the board of the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production patterns

4. Consequently, the Secretary-General conveys the following recommendation of the secretariat of the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production patterns, regarding future terms of its board.

5. Pursuant to the aforementioned resolutions, the members of the board may serve for a period of two years, and the effective date for the start of the period is 16 September of every second year.

6. In accordance with resolution 67/203, regarding the nomination of two members from each United Nations regional group, terms of membership may continue to be for two years. United Nations regional groups may wish to renominate one of their existing two members of the board, in which case they should be able to do so for one further consecutive term, taking into account the importance of ensuring continuity in the work of the board. No Member State may be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms.